

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL
RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a series of three workshops have been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources to exchange ideas and information on the issue of "Competitive Change in the Electric Power Industry."

The first workshop will take place on Thursday, March 6, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building. The topic of discussion will be: What are the issues involved in competition?

The second workshop will take place on Thursday, March 13, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in room SDG-50 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. The topic of discussion will be: What is the role of public power in a competitive market?

The third workshop will take place on Thursday, March 20, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building. The topic of discussion will be: Is federal legislation necessary? Participation is by invitation. For further information please write to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO
MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, February 12, 1997, in open session, to receive testimony on the defense authorization request for the fiscal year 1998 and the future years defense program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN
AFFAIRS

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, February 12, 1997, to conduct a markup of the following nominee: Janet Louise Yellen, of California, to be a member, council of economic advisors.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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RESOURCES

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, February 12, 1997, for purposes of conducting a full committee business meeting which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to consider pending calendar business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC
WORKS

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public Works be granted permission to conduct a hearing Wednesday, February 12, at 9:30 a.m., Hearing Room (SD-406), to receive testimony from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA, on the ozone and particulate matter standards proposed by EPA.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Finance be permitted to meet to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, February 12, 1997, beginning at 10 a.m. in room 215-Dirksen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent on behalf of the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services to meet on Wednesday, February 12, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing on The Future of Nuclear Deterrence.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Labor and Human Resources be authorized to meet for a hearing on Teamwork for Employees and Managers, during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, February 12, 1997, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session on Wednesday, February 12, 1997 at 9:30 a.m. in SR-301 to mark-up the recurring budgets contained in the omnibus committee funding resolution for 1997 and 1998; and any other legislative or administrative matters that are ready for consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate for a hearing entitled "Nomination of Aida Alvarez to be Administrator of the United States Small Business Administration" on Wednesday, February 12, 1997. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Health Care be permitted to meet to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, February 12, 1997, beginning at 2 p.m. in room 215-Dirksen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO FATHER JAROSLAW
KUPCZAK ON SERVING THE
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY AND RE-
CEIVING HIS DOCTORATE FROM
THE JOHN PAUL II INSTITUTE

• Mr. BOB SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a great American, Father Jaroslaw Kupczak. Father Jaroslaw is a Dominican priest from Bilgoraj, Poland who, for the past 4 years, has been a doctoral student at the John Paul II Institute in the District of Columbia.

During his tenure in the United States, Father Jaroslaw did much more than study at one of the most respected institutes of higher learning. He became part of the community.

Father Jaroslaw unselfishly dedicated his time and energy to needy citizens in a number of area communities. Every 2 weeks, he celebrated Mass at the Missionaries of Charities in Anacostia. The mission is run by a group of sisters who take in single, pregnant women and house them during their pregnancy and after. His compassion and counsel brought the spirit of God into the lives of these women in need.

As would be expected, Father Jaroslaw was a pillar in the Polish community. He was a frequent celebrant, confessor, and counselor to the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Poland parish in Silver Spring, MD. He often celebrated Sunday Mass, as well as masses on holy days and Polish holidays. He even traveled as far as Norfolk, VA to celebrate Mass and provide spiritual guidance to a Polish community that was without a parish.

Mr. President, our Nation has been blessed with Father Jaroslaw's tenure in the United States for the past 4 years. Many Catholics and Polish Americans have been touched by his generosity and time and his devotion to area residents has been an inspiration to all of us.

I would further like to congratulate him on his graduation from the John Paul II Institute and on receiving his degree doctor sacrae theologiae summa cum laude. We wish him continued health and happiness as he returns to his assignment in Krakow, Poland, to touch the lives of the citizens there. •

EUROPEAN COMMITTEE FOR THE
PREVENTION OF TORTURE PUB-
LIC STATEMENT ON TURKEY

• Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I recently learned about a public statement by the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture [CPT], concerning the problem of torture in Turkey. The CPT is a respected international organization established in